

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

OFFICIAL

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

Appl. No. : 09/872,068 Confirmation No.: 1810
 Applicant : Brian K. Courtney et al.
 Filing Date : May 31, 2001
 Title : Embolization Protection System for Vascular Procedures
 Group Art Unit : 3763
 Examiner : Anhtuan T. Nguyen
 Docket No. : 704174.9
 Customer No. : 34313

JUL 08 2004

Commissioner for Patents
 Mail Stop RCE
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

I. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

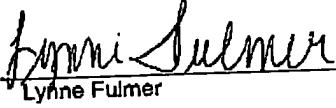
A. Previously submitted
 1. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 2. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 3. Other _____

B. Enclosed
 1. Preliminary Amendment
 2. Affidavit(s)/Declarations(s)
 3. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 4. Other _____

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being faxed to Examiner Anhtuan T. Nguyen at 703/872-9306 at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date of Facsimile Transmission: July 8, 2004


 Lynne Fulmer

II. Miscellaneous

A. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required.)

III. Fees

A. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 15-0665

1. RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) \$385.00

2. Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17) \$_____

EXTENSION (months)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
X one month	\$55.00	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$210.00	\$420.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$475.00	\$950.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$740.00	\$1,480.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,005.00	\$2,010.00
	Fee	\$55.00

B. 3. Other _____
Check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed

Respectfully submitted,

ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP

By: 

Kurt T. Mulville, Reg. No. 37.194

Dated: July 8, 2004

Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP
4 Park Plaza, Suite 1600
Irvine, CA 92614-2558
Tel. 949-567-6700
Fax: 949-567-6710
Customer Number: 34313